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REFERENCE TO "THE ENGINEER OF THE WORKSHOP"
AND POSSIBLE IDENTIFICATION OF "THE PLANT" (~~Feb.~~ Dec. 1947).

From: MOSCOW

To: CANBERRA

No.: 242

Dec
2 Dec 1947

Your No. 78[a].

The PLANT [ZAVOD][1] informed us that funds for telegraphic expenses, including 10,000 roubles in our line, were transferred additionally to the ENGINEER of the WORKSHOP [INZHENER TSEKHA][11] in October. Confirm receipt.

No. 11601 ~~[etc.]~~

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T.N.: [a] Not available.

Comments:[1] This context suggests that the covername "ZAVOD" had by this time been allotted to an organisation in MOSCOW, possibly the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. See also S/NBF/T184 and T204 for other occurrences of "ZAVOD" in 1947. Assuming that this identification is correct, it follows that
[continued overleaf]

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the use of "ZAVOD" for the Soviet Consulate-General in NEW YORK was cancelled some time during 1945 or 1946.

- [11] "The WORKSHOP" is evidently a Soviet diplomatic installation in CANBERRA, and "the ENGINEER" is presumably the person in charge of it. It may well be the Soviet Legation, though there is at present insufficient evidence to be positive on this point.

[111] As given. Almost certainly an error for 1160. Compare the message reported in S/NBF/T183, which is dated 20 Feb. 1947 and which bears internal serial number 1598. The assumption that MOSCOW originated about 400 messages between 2nd and 20th February is quite compatible with figures for other periods.

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